Mr. Kevin Jones Los Angeles City Planning Department Community Planning and Policy 200 North Spring Street Los Angeles, CA 90012-2601

Re: Proposed Chick Fil-A Restaurant at Sepulveda and Manchester Case number: APCW-2014-1971-ZGCUCDO

Dear Mr. Jones,

In reference to the proposed Chick Fil-A restaurant at Sepulveda and Manchester, I am writing to express my complete support. For far too many months, this corner has been an eyesore, and without this project, I am afraid that the corner will continue in its current state for a long time.

For many months, the former Grinder restaurant location at the northwest corner of Sepulveda Boulevard and Manchester Avenue in Westchester has been vacant. Since the restaurant's closure, the lot has become a magnet for the homeless and for taxi and limo drivers as they wait for their runs to/from LAX.

A new Chick Fil-A in that long-vacant site would be an improvement for the corner as well as the business district and residences that surround the site. There will be more cars turning into the property throughout the day, but the increased traffic is not unmanageable.

In fact, the proposed project will bring with it many, many positive impacts. Chick Fil-A will invest more than \$3 million in property improvements, will repair nearby sidewalks, plant new trees, add between 40 and 60 new jobs, enhance landscaping, create a new wall to enhance privacy for the neighbors, and support a variety of local non-profit groups ranging from the Westchester Family YMCA, PATH (People Assisting the Homeless), the Westchester Senior Center and others.

We have the opportunity to redevelop this key parcel in our community with a new tenant that has shown a long corporate history of giving back to the community and operating a business that is sensitive to its surroundings. Please support the proposed Chick-Fil-A project.

Christopher Locke

Cc: Councilman Mike Bonin